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Application No. 09/890,251

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Yoshio HARADA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1775

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Examiner: Savage

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For: PLASMA PROCESSING CONTAINER INTERNAL MEMBER AND
PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 17, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 17, 2003, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response June 17, 2003.

Applicants note that this response is being filed prior to the expiration of the three-month shortened statutory period for response, whereby an extension of time should not be necessary to maintain the pendency of the application. However, if any extensions of time are required to maintain the pendency of this application, this is an express request for any required extension of time, and authorization for the Commissioner to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of this reply with reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.